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IN THE SPECIFICATION

*Pages 4-5, replace the paragraph spanning these pages with the following:*

—In FIG. 1, a continuously variable transmission mechanism 5 is connected to an engine 1 via a torque converter 2 including a lock-up clutch and a forward-backward driving switching mechanism 4. The continuously variable transmission mechanism 5 is comprised of a pair of variable pulleys consisting of a primary pulley 10 on the input shaft side and a secondary pulley ~~[[13]]~~ 11 connected to an output shaft 13, and the pair of variable pulleys 10 and 11 are connected to each other via a V belt 12. It should be noted that the output shaft 13 is connected to a differential gear 6 via an idler gear 14 and a drive shaft.—

*Page 6, replace the first full paragraph with the following:*

--The pressure-receiving area of the primary pulley cylinder chamber 10c is set to be greater than that of the secondary pulley cylinder chamber 11c.--